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MEMORANDUM

To: Brian Allred, Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel

From: Dennis Downs, Director

Utah Division of Solid and Hazardous Waste

Subject: Financial status of Clean Harbor's facilities in Utah

Date: June 4, 2003

Pursuant to questions from members of the legislative task force which is studying Utah hazardous waste and radioactive waste policies, I am providing this information.

Clean Harbors is a commercial hazardous waste management company which has hazardous waste facilities throughout the United States. Two of these facilities are located in Tooele County, Utah. These are Grassy Mountain Landfill (disposes of hazardous waste in lined landfill cells) and Aragonite Incinerator (disposes of hazardous wastes through incineration).

There have been questions asked concerning the financial impact of recent legislation on these facilities. Clean Harbors is in the process of compiling financial information to demonstrate the impact of the new increase in hazardous waste disposal fees and the tax on gross receipts. This information will be provided to the Department of Environmental Quality for evaluation later this summer.

Results of this evaluation will be available to the task force when completed.